



Town Board Regular Meeting
September 7, 2021 – 7:00 PM
502 Southtown Circle, Rolesville, NC 27571

Minutes

PRESENT: Ronnie Currin, Mayor
Sheilah Sutton, Commissioner
April Sneed, Commissioner
Dave Neill, Town Attorney
Amy Stevens, Finance Director
J.G. Ferguson, Parks & Recreation Dir

Jacky Wilson, Commissioner
Paul Vilga, Commissioner
Kelly Arnold, Town Manager
Robin Peyton, Town Clerk
David Simmons, Chief of Police
Mical McFarland, Comm & Econ Dev Mgr

ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Michelle Medley

A. CALL TO ORDER

1. Pledge of Allegiance
Mayor Currin led the Pledge of Allegiance
2. Invocation – Pastor Brian Kohout – Exchange Church
Pastor Kohout gave the invocation.
3. Citizen Recognition
Mayor Currin recognized Jimmy Sanders who is a resident of The Villages Subdivision. Mr. Sanders has provided numerous services for his community.
4. Review of Agenda by the Board and Addition/Changes of Items of New Business to the Agenda for Consideration.
Moved by Commissioner Sutton to Approve Agenda as presented, with the removal for discussion of the Olde Towne Resurfacing Bid Approval Consent Agenda item; seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Motion to approve the agenda with revision carried by unanimous vote.
5. Board Liaison Reports
 - Mayor Pro Tem Michelle Medley – Planning Board
Mayor Pro Tem Medley was not present to provide a report.
 - Commissioner Sutton – Economic Development
 - Rolesville Downtown Development Association, formerly known as REDAC continues working on Economic Positioning Statement and Goals. Meeting on September 8th to finalize.
 - Attended a conference in late August in Garner where she met several developers that stated they had been watching Rolesville. Sutton will be working with Mr. McFarland to schedule introductory meetings with them. Among them were a hotel developer, an office/residential developer, and a multi-use developer who developed a Costco and Top Golf in Charlotte.
 - This Saturday is the Rolesville Business Saturday at the Rolesville Farmers Market, in

the parking lot of Town Hall, to support small business/local business from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

- Commissioner Vilga – Parks & Recreation Advisory Board
 - Discussion was held on the next steps to initiate and Parks & Rec bond and are working on a survey to get out to the public.
 - Ongoing design work for Cobblestone.
 - OSAG survey is complete. Steering community to continue work.
 - Passed out a proposal for a program to add natural plants to our parks to provide nourishment for pollinators. Commissioner Vilga proposes calling the program *Naturally Rolesville*.
- Commissioner Wilson – Public Safety
 - Commissioner Wilson elected to save comments on the Fire Unification effort until Town Manager Kelly Arnold covers the same topic later in the agenda.
- Commissioner Sneed – North Carolina League of Municipalities
 - Nothing to report.

6. Public Invited to be Heard.

Jacky Wilson, Rolesville, NC

Commissioner Wilson addressed the board and public regarding regretting a statement he made in a previous meeting referring to the wearing of masks to protect the unvaccinated. Wilson apologized for the specific words he used when making his statement and for any resulting negativity experienced by his fellow elected officials. Wilson added that he takes the health and safety of the public very seriously and works hard to keep the fire and EMS response times below 9 minutes. An effort that is being impacted by COVID. Due to COVID, patients transported by ambulance currently have lengthy waits in the emergency vehicles at the hospital before being removed from the vehicles to enter the buildings. Wilson further stated his belief that the unvaccinated are the reason we are dealing with high rates of illness and deaths due to COVID. Finally, Wilson offered that he prays every night that we are rid of COVID and that prayers are answered and God's answer is "not yet". The vaccines are a gift from God and some people have yet to realize it.

Charles Flournoy, 100 Watkins Farm Road, Rolesville, NC

Mr. Flournoy came asking if Rolesville has a noise ordinance that addresses barking dogs as he is experiencing this particular nuisance constantly in his neighborhood beginning at 6:00 AM. Mayor Currin requested that Mr. Flournoy follow up with Town Manager Kelly Arnold.

Jimmy Sanders, 606 Long Milford Drive, Rolesville, NC

Mr. Sanders asked if the information on gardening for the benefit of pollinators would be made available to the public for their use. Commissioner Vilga responded that his own property is certified and that he would get the information to Mr. Sanders as the program is for citizens as well and starter kits are available.

Mr. Sanders commiserated with Mr. Fluornoy regarding is dog barking issue and suggested

checking with homeowners' associations' covenants if citizens are dealing with the same or similar issues.

B. CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Wilson to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, with the removal of the Olde Towne Resurfacing Bid Process for discussion; and consisting of the following remaining items:

1. Minutes of the August 3, 2021 Regular Town Board Meeting.
2. Minutes of the August 17, 2021 Work Session.
3. 101 & 115 Redford Place Order Approval.
4. Cobblestone Order Approval.
5. Resolution 2021-R-32: Plat Review Officer Update.
6. Resolution 2021-R-33: Directing Clerk to Investigate Sufficiency of Annexation Petition, ANX21-04.
7. SP21-01 Call for Public Hearing on Cobblestone Site Plan Amendment for October 5th.
8. Call for Public Hearing on Wake Forest Annexation Agreement for October 5th.
9. ~~Olde Towne Resurfacing Bid Approval.~~
10. Consideration of Taser Grant Application through Governors Crime Commission.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as revised was seconded by Commissioner Sutton and carried by unanimous vote.

C. DISCUSSION

Commissioner Sutton asked for clarification on the recommendation on bidders made by engineering firm Withers-Ravenel. Parks & Recreation Director J. G. Ferguson explained that it is based on bid tabulations conducted.

Moved by Commissioner Sutton to approve Olde Towne Resurfacing Bid; seconded by Commissioner Vilga. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

D. BOARD ACTION

1. Main Street Locally Administered Projects Program (LAPP) Grant Project Update.
Town Manager Kelly Arnold updated the Town Board on the project as it is at 100%, easements have been acquired and it is close to being ready to be put out to bid. This update served as a lead-in to the next item on the agenda, that of budget amendments. Arnold then introduced Betsy Watson, Engineer with Stantec, who provided additional detailed information specific to the project.
2. Budget Amendment(s) Ordinances.
 - a. 2021-O-14: Capital Project Ordinance for Main Street Vision Plan Design & Acquisition.
Add comments from Commissioner Sutton.
 - b. 2021-O-15: Capital Project Ordinance for Main Street Vision Plan Construction.
Add comments from Commissioner Sutton.
 - c. 2021-O-16: Ordinance to Amend the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year Budget Ordinance.

Moved by Commissioner Wilson to approve the above Capital Project Ordinances and

Ordinance to Amend the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year Budget; seconded by Commissioner Sutton. Motion to approve the Capital Project ordinances and Ordinance to Amend the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year Budget carried by unanimous vote.

3. Fire Unification Update.

Town Manager Kelly Arnold sought direction from the Town Board on continuation of efforts towards unification and commitment of additional time with the current group working towards unification.

The Town Board requested that conversation continue and that meetings continue to be held in addition to the September 22nd meeting where a model agreement will be looked at as well as discussion on how and when to fund.

E. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Communication from Town Attorney

Town Attorney Dave Neill reported on the Governor's signing of new criminal justice reform legislation. Neill reported that the approximate 29-page law may impact the Town of Rolesville in its administration of fines, fees and sanctions within the Town ordinance. The law was presented and passed in an effort to curtail criminalization of poverty and effects the ability to impose Class III misdemeanor responses. The legislation allows for towns to enforce their ordinances calling for a Class III misdemeanor but eliminates the power to impose criminal sanctions for many items relating to the development of property (for instance, items under 160D can no longer have a criminal penalty)

2. Communication from Town Staff

Economic Development

- Drafting scope of services on downtown plan study (commercial property). Selected firm will present to the board during a meeting tbd.
- 6.4 acres of town-owned property was listed for sale with a minimum of interest.

Finance

- Detailed work for the financial statements are being finished up to get to auditors. Preliminarily looks as if it has been a good year.
- Auditors scheduled to present to the Town Board in November.
- Two financial reports are to be included in the 9/21 agenda packet.

Parks & Recreation

- Reported on efforts to honor Aven Moffat who had been a participant in the Rolesville Parks & Recreation programs on September 11th as well as the 9/11 victims.
- Jumanji movie on 9/11 and 9/25 rained out movie.
- October 30th Fall Fun Fest. Over 70 vendors have already signed up.
- Parks & Recreation and Public Works staff were commended on preparations for the 9/11 ceremonies.

Police

- Additional report on efforts to honor Aven Moffat and victims of 9/11.

- 9/20 is the reschedule date for National Night Out event.

Mayor Currin allowed Mr. George Garcia to report on he and his wife Betty Freeman's activities in allowing pollinating plants to grow on idle property within their right-of-way shared with Wake Electric as an effort to off-set the increasing carbon footprint in the area.

3. Communication from Town Manager

- Supplier diversity program is being met on and researched following Commissioner Sutton voicing her concern. Staff attended a vendor function hosted by Wake Forest and resulting information received to be presented to Commissioner Sutton in approximately one month followed by presentation to the Town Board with accompanying policy recommendations.
- Personnel updates: two officers are pending hires with the Police Department; Parks & Recreation is moving forward with hiring a Program Coordinator and September 9th the first round of Assistant Town Manager interviews will be held assisted by Wake Forest Assistant Town Manager. The second round of interviews will be assisted by the City of Raleigh and Fuquay-Varina Assistant Town Managers.
- Reminder of the Town Board Work Session coming up in two weeks where continued discussion on the Community Center plans will be held with the goal that all discussion and presentations will allow for a feasibility study on how to fund and build the Community Center to be presented to the Town Board at the end of the year.

4. Communication from Town Board.

Mayor Currin reported on Part II of his Rolesville Connection video series hosted by the Rolesville Chamber of Commerce. The next video presentation will be Thursday, September 9th beginning at 10:00 am when Mayor Currin will be asked about the growth of the town among other topics. This series will be followed by the Mayor's Show beginning at 7 PM. This monthly show will feature guests with Brad Walker from Launch Rolesville and Austin Williams with Crossland South, developer of the Wallbrook mixed-use development, participating on September 9th.

F. ADJOURN

Mayor Currin adjourned the meeting at 9:43 p.m.

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